

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/760,229

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment filed on 5/01/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,2 and 4-23.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to an applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The following changes have been made in a subject of the application to place the claims in a condition for allowance:

Claims

In claims 1-2 and 3-23:

- line 1, inserted --printing fluid-- before “cartridge” for clearer language.

In claim 1:

- line 6, changed “secondary cartridge” to --first cartridge of the printing fluid cartridge--.

In claim 5:

- line 3, “secondary” changed to --first-- for clearer language.

In claim 19:

- line 1, “print media feed means” changed to --the print media feed drive mechanism-- for consistent language.

- line 3, “the feed means” changed to --the print media feed drive mechanism-- for consistent language.

In claim 20:

- line 1, “paper feed drive mechanism” changed to --the print media feed drive mechanism-- for consistent language.

In claim 21:

- line 2, “paper” changed to --print media-- for consistent language.

In claim 22:

- line 1, “paper” changed to --print media-- for consistent language.

- lines 4-5, deleted “primary”.

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In claim 23:

- line 1, "means" changed to --mechanism-- for consistent language.

The above change was made to place the application in better condition for allowance.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

Claims 1-2 and 3-23 are allowed because none of the prior art references of record teaches a printing fluid cartridge for a digital photofinishing system having a digital processor; and a printer arranged to receive drive signals from the digital processor; the cartridge being arranged to be mounted removably in juxtaposition to the printer and comprising a roll of print media to be fed on demand to the printer from the printing fluid cartridge, and the cartridge incorporating means for coupling with a print media feed drive mechanism and at least one removable printing fluid first cartridge.

CONCLUSION

Any comments considered necessarily by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner Anh Vo whose telephone number is (571) 272-2262. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday to Friday from 9:30 A.M. to 7:30 P.M..

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The fax number of this Group 2800 is (571) 273-8300.

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PRIMARY EXAMINER

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